	Application No.	Applicant(s)
Notice of Allowability	09/923,755	ZLATANOV, BORISLAV
	Examiner	Art Unit
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1. A This communication is responsive to <u>amendment filed on C</u>	<u>)7/28/2004</u> .	
2. X The allowed claim(s) is/are 1,2 and 4-21.		
3. $igotimes$ The drawings filed on <u>07/28/2004</u> are accepted by the Exa	miner.	
 4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority unallocation. a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the: 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: 	been received. been received in Application	n No
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7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the depo attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT	SIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATE FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIO	RIAL must be submitted. Note the pLOGICAL MATERIAL.
Attachment(s)		(DTO 450)
1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)		formal Patent Application (PTO-152)
2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	Paper No./	ımmary (PTO-413), Mail Date Amendment/Comment
3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/0 Paper No./Mail Date	,, <u> </u>	
4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit	8. ⊠ Examiners 9. ☐ Other	Statement of Reasons for Allowance
of Biological Material	э. <u>Б</u> Ошег	Stephen D. Meier Primary Examiner

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Referring to claims 1 and 13: The primary reasons for the indication of the allowability of the claims is the inclusions therein, in combination as currently claimed, of the limitation that masking selected regions of the photoresist layer of the workpiece while the workpiece is rotated is neither disclosed nor taught by the cited prior art of record, alone or in combination.

Claims 2, 4-12 and 14-21 are allowed because they depend directly/indirectly on claim 1 or 13.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to LAM S NGUYEN whose telephone number is (571)272-2151. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:00AM - 3:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, STEPHEN D MEIER can be reached on (571)272-2149. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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